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WORLD'S DOINGS OF CURRENT WEEK

Brief Resume of General News From All Around the Earth.

UNIVERSAL HAPPENINGS IN A NUTSHELL

Live News Items of All Nations and Pacific Northwest Condensed for Our Busy Readers.

Statistics show the number of automobile accidents is decreasing steadily as compared with the number of machines in use.

Field Marshal von Hindenburg, chief of the general staff, celebrated his 83rd birthday at headquarters on the eastern front Wednesday.

Imitation pearls have become an important article of manufacture recently in Barcelona, Spain. During 1915 they were manufactured there to the value of over \$21,000, as against \$4000 in 1914.

In their latest raid on Bucharest, says the Times' Bucharest correspondent, the German aeroplanes dropped proclamations declaring that the city will be laid in ruins soon, unless Rumania hastens to make a separate peace.

Rumanian troops have gained a footing on the right bank of the Danube river south of Bucharest, says the official statement issued by German general headquarters concerning the fighting in Transylvania and Dobruja.

According to statistics for the year 1915, the population of Russia has increased more than 53,000,000, or 43 per cent, since 1897. It increased more than 5,800,000, or more than 2 per cent, since 1911. The total population is set down as 122,182,600.

The first case of infantile paralysis in six years in Walla Walla, Wash., was reported Wednesday, the 3-year-old child of C. C. Eubanks being ill with the disease. The case is not serious, and physicians are taking every precaution to prevent spread of the contagion.

The rebellion in the Dutch East Indies is being quelled, according to official dispatch received by the government. The rebels in the district near Mocaratebi have surrendered. Three brigades of infantry inflicted serious losses on a rebel force near Zemabe on September 23.

Early winter, predicted by Indians and birds, arrived in Baker, Or., at 11 o'clock Tuesday night, when snow fell in the city's streets. Little more than a trace fell in the city, but the snow in the hills was heavy. It is the earliest snow in two years. No damage was done to crops, practically all being harvested.

The American Association of Woolen and Worsted Manufacturers telegraphed the department of commerce protesting against the holding up of the census report on dyestuffs. Secretary Redfield replied that the report was being withheld temporarily to afford proper privacy to transactions of dye importers.

Mason D. Hill, aged 94, of Port Townsend, Wash., the oldest Oddfellow in the world in years as well as in membership, received a 70-year jewel from his associates, the presentation being made by H. G. Merritt, grand master of Oddfellows of Washington. Mr. Hill is the first Oddfellow to be entitled to such a jewel.

More than 2000 students registered for evening school work at 12 public schools which opened for classes in Portland Wednesday night. With the exception of three schools, all are well up to the average in attendance, and, according to John C. Veatch, supervisor, a substantial increase is expected. Nearly every nation was represented in the registrations.

Simultaneously with the announcement that 30,000 employees of the Wholesale Clothiers' Association of Chicago would receive a reduction in working hours without loss of pay, a voluntary wage increase of 2 1/2 cents an hour for employees of the operating department all over the United States was announced by Wilson & Co., Armour & Co., Swift & Co., Libby, McNeil & Co., and Morris & Co. The increases granted by the packers will affect 80,000 men, while about 20,000 will be benefited by the reduction of hours in the clothing trades from 50 to 48. To the packers the increase will mean an additional payroll of \$4,000,000 a year. The action of both garment makers and packers was voluntary, it was announced. In neither case was there threat of labor difficulties.

King Constantine of Greece is ready to declare war on Bulgaria.

Pendleton, Or., where market is practically at a standstill on account of the shortage of cars.

Work progresses rapidly on the Oregon-Washington interstate bridge, and the opening in the near future seems certain.

The American Bankers' Association is alarmed over the report that live-stock production is not keeping pace with the demand.

The threatened sympathetic strike of New York unions to aid the strikers did not materialize as scheduled, but leaders assert that many thousands have quietly quit their jobs.

German aviators again dropped a great number of bombs on Bucharest, according to German official statement. This adds that several points of the Rumanian capital "are still burning as the result of our previous attack."

BUSINESS GOOD IN NORTHWEST; PRODUCERS REAPING BENEFITS

Washington, D. C.—Generally prosperous conditions are reported throughout the Pacific Coast in the federal reserve monthly bulletin. Of conditions on the north coast, the bulletin says:

"Grain crops, though of less than the usual volume, are commanding such prices that the money returns are above the normal. Although there have been large shipments of wheat by rail from the Pacific Northwest to the east, many farmers have not yet sold, holding in the expectation of higher prices. The barley crop fell considerably short of the earlier estimates, but with the carry-over there were approximately 350,000 tons (nearly 15,000,000 bushels) beyond domestic requirements and available for export. Prices are \$8 and \$10 a ton higher than last year.

"The apple crop of California, Oregon and Washington is estimated at 5,800,000 barrels, which is a little above normal. The quality is exceptional and high prices are ruling.

"Flax will yield about 280,000 bales, or 20,000 bales more than last year. This is far in excess of domestic requirements. The British embargo on exports has affected prices most unfavorably, bids of 10 to 12 cents compared, for example, with 4 1/2 cents in 1911.

"The salmon pack of the Pacific Coast, including Alaska, is about 20 per cent below normal. A leading packer says that from the sellers' point of view the salmon markets of the world are in better condition than at any time since 1900.

"Mining continues its great activity, with expanding output.

"There has been no material change in the unsatisfactory condition of the lumber industry, lack of transportation facilities being the greatest handicap. Ships for the lumber trade, with an aggregate carrying capacity of 30,000,000 feet, are now building on this coast."

Tacoma Electric Car Jumps Track; Ohio Electrics Collide on Bridge

Tacoma, Wash.—More than a score of persons were injured, three of them seriously, when the Tacoma-Seaside Limited on the Puget Sound Electric company's line ran into an open switch and went into the ditch at Willow Junction, one mile east of the city, at 5 o'clock Tuesday afternoon.

The two coaches comprising the train were badly splintered and a coal shed was demolished when the rear car struck it as it turned over. Officials of the company refuse to make a statement as to the responsibility for the accident until after an investigation. The seriously injured were taken to hospitals in Tacoma, except Mrs. McLean, who insisted on being taken to her home in Seattle on the train following.

Runaway Car Kills 2; Injures 30. Cleveland.—Two persons were killed and more than 30 are in hospitals as the toll of a bridge tragedy here when two streetcars collided on the West Third street bridge, causing it to collapse and precipitate the cars 30 feet to the Baltimore & Ohio railroad tracks below. There were 40 persons on one car and 20 on the other.

The dead are Mrs. Clara Dille, a passenger, and Otto Borchert, motor-man.

The accident occurred when a south-bound Scranton road car carrying a crowd of women shoppers broke away from the motorman on a hill and tore down on the north approach to the bridge just as a north-bound car reached the same point. The runaway car jumped the track and struck the northbound car. The combined weight of the two cars and the shock of the collision was too much for the wooden bridge, which sagged and then gave way.

Edna Waddington, a telephone operator, employed by the Erie railroad, saw the accident from where she sat at her switchboard and turned in a call for ambulances, doctors and the fire department.

Nations Protest Acts of Mexico.

Washington, D. C.—Strong protests have been made to the state department by the British and French embassies against the action of the Carranza government in Mexico in seizing the assets of British and French banking institutions in the Mexican capital. These banks are closed as the result of the Carranza decrees, and it is declared that the interests of British and French stockholders have been seriously affected. So far the state department has given no indication of what it will do.

Many Mexicans Starving.

Laredo, Tex.—Deplorable conditions exist in Lampazos, 80 miles south of the border in Nuevo Leon, where 20 deaths from starvation occurred in two days, according to reports received here. At least half of the crops have been confiscated by the government for military purposes. The poorer women in Lampazos are unable to clothe themselves properly, and children of both sexes are virtually naked.

Czar Gives Jews Schools.

Petrograd, via London.—Jews will enjoy greater educational advantages in Russia in the future. A series of high schools and technical schools exclusively for Jewish students is to be established by the government and greater freedom will be accorded with respect to their entry into the universities.

Vote by Mail Proposed.

Madison, Wis.—Governor Philipp has called a special session of the legislature for October to pass an act permitting soldiers on the Mexican border to vote by mail.

This Shell Crashed Through Her Home.



While Mrs. Mary Swann and her little daughter Mary were eating lunch in their home this enormous 16-inch shell smashed through the house from one side to the other and fell at their feet. Neither mother nor child was hurt, and after a while little Mary made a plaything of the shell. It was fired in a navy test at Indian Head.

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President of New Company Declares Great Increase of Trade Makes Move Almost Necessity.

Seattle.—Merger of the Pacific Coast Steamship company and the Pacific Alaska Navigation company into a new steamship company to be known as the Pacific Steamship company is announced here.

The merger, affecting 13 large passenger and freight steamships of the Pacific Coast Steamship company and nine of the Pacific Alaska Navigation company, will go into effect November 1.

The merger was ratified by the boards of directors of the Pacific Coast Steamship company and the Pacific Alaska Navigation company, the former meeting in New York and the latter in Tacoma.

The financial details of the merger were not given out in the announcement here, but the vessels involved are said to be valued at more than \$12,000,000.

In making the announcement, Manager A. F. Haines of the Pacific Alaska Navigation company, gave out the following statement prepared by President H. F. Alexander:

"The Pacific Steamship company has been formed by the Pacific Coast Steamship company and the Pacific Alaska Navigation company to operate along the entire Pacific Coast, including Alaska, with the further purpose of extending its service in other directions, and has made arrangements to operate all of the vessels of the Pacific Coast company and the Pacific-Alaska Navigation company.

"In view of the great scarcity of vessels on the Pacific Coast, due to the greater demand for them in other trades, and the inability to secure additional vessels under existing conditions for the trade of the Pacific Coast, the Pacific Coast company and the Pacific Alaska Navigation company, after carefully considering the situation, have decided that they can best serve the interests of the public with more efficient service and more frequent sailings by operating the two fleets under a management that will eliminate the disadvantages to the traveling and shipping public which necessarily attend the operation of the two fleets separately."

"The merger involves ships having a gross tonnage of more than 55,000 tons, the tonnage of the Pacific Coast Steamship company being more than 34,000 tons.

Robber Suspect is Held.

Douglas, Ariz.—Plint (Rusty) Tulk, a cowboy, arrested on the charge of robbing the United States mail in connection with the holding up of the Golden State Limited passenger train on the El Paso & Southwestern railroad September 6, near here, was bound over to await the action of the federal grand jury. Bond was fixed at \$10,000, which has not been furnished. Ray Preston, of Portland, Or., testified that he recognized Tulk, despite his mask, and saw him take two registered mail packages.

Hermit Learns of War.

Marysville, Cal.—John C. Carlton, a 75-year-old miner, discovered the European war Thursday, when he paid Marysville his first visit in three years. Carlton lives in a cabin in the Yuba county mountains. He once subscribed to a newspaper, he said, but the editorials did not suit him and he stopped them 11 years ago. Since then, he said, he has done all his reading in one book, the Bible. His cabin is 20 miles from Marysville.

Car Shortage Hits Baker, Or.

Baker, Or.—The continued shortage of freight cars is still embarrassing the Baker lumber companies, who report that they are now 40 cars behind in their orders. Mills are still running and storing the lumber that cannot be shipped, but the storage room will soon be filled. Grain dealers say their warehouses still have plenty of room.

Meatless Day Advised.

London.—One meatless day a week for all not engaged in heavy manual labor is the chief recommendation for the regulation of food prices made by the board of trade committee which has been investigating the increase in the cost of living. The committee also recommended the opening of meat shops in districts where retailers are obtaining excessive profits. A third step advised is the revision of pay-rolls.

Dry Gain Four Towns.

New Haven, Conn.—The so-called "little town elections" in Connecticut were featured by lively contests over the excise questions, and the "dry" forces made a gain of four towns. Of the 168 towns in the state 91 are now no-license.

NEWS ITEMS

Of General Interest About Oregon

Oregon Has Overlooked Many Valuable Permanent Resources

University of Oregon, Eugene.—Among the coming great industries of Oregon, H. B. Miller classes flax growing, milk condensing, manufacture of fertilizer, raising of broccoli, and manufactures from lumber. Mr. Miller is director of the state university school of commerce, which makes investigations of markets and possibilities for industries.

Broccoli he pronounced well adapted to the Willamette valley climate, an excellent shipper, and usable when all other green vegetables are gone.

The sources of fertilizer may be two: from the nitrogen of the air and from the beds of certain south central Oregon lakes, notably Summer and Albert lakes.

For the manufacture of fertilizer from the air, Mr. Miller said great development of Oregon's 3,250,000 idle horsepower would be necessary; and this horsepower, he said, would play the greatest part in future economic growth.

"Oregon made a great mistake when it went extensively into the apple business," said Mr. Miller. "Oregon's special adaptation to apples was skilled labor. Skilled labor is transferable, and so today other sections nearer the big markets are producing as good fruit as Oregon, with Oregon unable to meet the competition because of transportation."

Mexican Commissioners Demand Withdrawal of American Troops

New London, Conn.—The fat has been thrown into the fire, so far as the American and Mexican commissioners are concerned, by developments which took place here Thursday.

The Mexican commissioners precipitated a situation which bodes ill for success unless President Wilson should back down.

Acting under instructions from General Carranza, they demanded that General Pershing's troops be withdrawn. The American commissioners flatly refused to do anything of the kind.

The commissioners insisted their government could not consent to protracted negotiations so long as American soldiers were in occupation of Mexican territory. The American commissioners inquired if General Carranza were ready with troops to occupy the territory which, if the Mexican demand were heeded, General Pershing would evacuate.

The Mexican commissioners declined to bind their government to any condition, holding that as a matter of right they were justified in requiring General Pershing to leave their country, and as a matter of justice, of friendship, President Wilson ought not to hesitate in directing him to return north of the border.

Here the matter rests. The American commissioners forwarded the facts to Secretary Lansing, who will submit the report to the president for his decision.

Demand for Horses for Europe Continues; Supply Seems Endless

Denver.—Continued demand for American horses by British and French governments for use on European battlefields has robbed "broncho-busting" of its glamour and reduced that time-honored industry and feature of frontier celebrations to the level of mere drudgery.

Hundreds of horses from all sections of the Rocky mountain region were bought for European export at the Denver stockyards daily, and many other hundreds are rejected. Each animal must be mounted and ridden as part of the inspection, and noted riders from many Western states are employed in the work. Well-known "busters" who have won championships in the past now are riding as many as 50 horses a day.

The supply of "gun fodder," as the riders call the horses, seems unending. The standard of requirements was lowered somewhat when receipts began falling off, and horses are being accepted now that were rejected formerly. Shipments continue to be heavy, and weekly purchases often run into the thousands.

Master Plumbers Found Guilty.

Salt Lake City.—The jury in the case brought in the federal district court here against 12 master plumbers of Utah and Colorado, charged with violation of the Sherman anti-trust act, returned a verdict of guilty late Monday night, with a recommendation of extreme mercy. Sentences will be pronounced October 14. The defendants were charged with having engaged in a conspiracy to prevent plumbers not members of the National Association of Master Plumbers from getting supplies.

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Liquor Ship Off Astoria.

Astoria.—The gasoline launch Union, Daniel Hannulas' "booze ship," which sailed from Eureka a few days ago, has arrived off the mouth of the river. She dropped anchor about three miles below the lights, and well outside the three-mile limit. The coast guard crew visited the craft and was presented with several bottles of whisky, a portion of which was turned over to the internal revenue officers. Officers are waiting in the lower harbor to seize the "booze ship" if she comes inside.

Girl Wins Trip to Fair.

Pendleton.—For the second successive year, Carmine Jones, daughter of a McKay creek farmer, last week won first honors in the state-wide turkey-raising contest, in connection with the industrial club work of schools. She is 14 years of age. With three other Umatilla county pupils she attended the fair last week as guests of the state. Arthur Crono, of Upland, was awarded second prize in pig-raising.

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